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MILLERSBURG.

Mrs. C. M. Best is not much improved.

Misses Willa and Nannie Bowden returned to Paris, Friday.

S. C. Carpenter shipped a car of good horses South Saturday night.

Born, Saturday, in Newport, to the wife of Claude Neal, a son.

Mrs. Arthur Long and daughter returned to Midway, Monday.

Monday was the 21st anniversary of the burning of the bridges here.

Mrs. J. E. Hull and daughters returned Friday from Flemingsburg.

Miss Louise Bashford, of Paris, was the guest of Mrs. Jo. Mock, Friday.

Mr. H. H. Linney, of Danville, was the guest of Nannie L. Best, Friday.

Mrs. Robt. Howe and daughter, Miss Julia, returned to Covington, Friday.

Mr. Philip Maher and bride, of Paris, visited his mother, Mrs. Foster, Friday.

Dr. Zed Layson, of Lexington, visited his parents here last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. J. I. Streagall, of Paris, visited lady friends here from Friday to Monday.

Roy Patterson has resigned position at Jones Bros'. He will return to farming.

Masters Raymond and Hobart Kearns have been very ill for several days with fever.

Dr. Hemlet Garland, of Vanceburg, is the guest of Ashby and John Leer, his uncles.

Aris Vimont has sold his interest in the meat store to his partner, L. L. Myers.

Mrs. John O. Powling and daughter, of Carlisle, visited Mrs. Bettie Martin, Friday.

Mrs. Sallie Feeback and family have moved into Mrs. Amanda Batson's property.

John Thorn and bride will commence housekeeping to-day on Herbert farm near town.

Mr. C. L. Best, of Mason county, was guest of her cousin, Arthur Best, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Turner Perry, of Owingsville, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McClintock.

Mrs. Anna Reddinger, of Bradford, O., was the guest of Miss Anna Boulton, Thursday and Friday.

Messrs. Jas. Caldwell, Wm. Layson, Clarence Ball and Garrett Jefferson returned Friday from Mason.

Dr. Chas. Vimont, of Chicago, brother of Frank and Claude Vimont, is very ill with appendicitis and fever.

Mr. Wm. Swango has moved to the farm he bought near Mt. Sterling. His daughter, Miss Dora, will remain at M. F. C.

Master Robt. Durham accidentally shot himself through the palm of the left hand, at Hotel Bryan, Saturday night.

For Rent.—Dwelling on Pleasant street, of six rooms, good stable, grass lot, well and garden.

CAS. DARNELL.

Mrs. Thos. McMahan died Wednesday on the Barbee farm and was buried here. She leaves a husband and five children. The family was formerly from Carlisle.

Our City Marshal resigned Monday on account of dull business and fear of starving before Spring. He will clerk for Jones Bros., grocers, and eat cheese and crackers.

Sanford Carpenter, of Millersburg, purchased in Maysville, a car load of fine horses and a car load of mules, and Saturday he shipped them over the L. & N. to Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Nannie Louise Best delightfully entertained the "Dolly Varden Club" Friday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Parham, of Danville. Progressive games were indulged in, Miss Albie Ball and Mr. Jim Caldwell received the prizes.

Mrs. W. H. H. Johnson, of Paris, was buried here Sunday. There was a large attendance from Paris and surrounding country. The floral offerings were abundant and very beautiful, showing the high esteem in which this good woman was held in this community.

Miss Dorothy Peed entertained the "Dolly Varden" and "Prophecy" clubs at her beautiful new home near town Wednesday evening. The members of the "Prophecy Club" were all present except three, who had married during the past year. Another prophecy was written and read as the bells rang the "Old Year Out and the New Year In." An elegant lunch was served.

Another big gusher has been struck in the Wayne county oil field.

The January collection with the Pa is merchants thus far are reported as being good.

Just as long as we hesitate to touch the tariff, the trusts will continue to touch the people.

"We won't touch the tariff," says Quay. It is the tariff payers that the Quayites prefer to touch.

Last year was an exceptionally "fat" one for employers; this one promises less "lean" for employees.

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PARIS, KY.

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Winter Coal.

There is None Better Than

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Don't Forget that We Sell

SALT,

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Our Stock of Vehicles is Full and Complete. We can

Show the Handsomest Up-to-Date Stock of

Depot Wagons, Carriages, Buggies, Phaetons,

Road Wagons Ever Shown in Paris.

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Attention, Farmers!

Having taken charge of the business, that has in the past been known as Haggard & Speaks, I will endeavor to make my establishment one of the best in Central Kentucky. I cordially invite all the farmers in Bourbon and adjoining counties to give me a call. I have the best makes of all modern Farm Implements—Buggies, Wagons—in fact, everything that is used on a farm. I also make a specialty of putting Rubber Tire on Buggies.

Yours for honest dealing,

J. H. HAGGARD.

Shawl Sale.

Superior bargain offerings in superior grades of all silks, silk-and-zephyr and zephyr shawls; also cape shawls. Something entirely new; all in new styles and fancy colors in plain white.

TRIUMPH IN

GARMENT PRICING.

Stylish, exclusive garments priced at figures that are seldom quoted on garments of this character. They are made particularly for those exacting in matters pertaining to dress, who recognize and insist upon having every feature essential to a garment of character and are the only kinds that are really worth possessing.

Sale of Walking Skirts

On account of the inclement weather of the past week, we have decided to continue our big sale of Walking Skirts for a few days longer. These garments are made in a variety of fabrics, they attract attention on account of their correctness of patterns, richness of shadings and elegance of finish. Each is a garment exquisite in design and faultless in workmanship. Although superior in every way to the regular \$7 and \$7.50 Skirts, we offer them for a few days longer at

\$5.00 A PIECE.

Brie-a-Brae Department

This section of our large establishment is teeming with seasonable novelties, all new and odd, including some great values in rich Cut Glass, large hand-painted Plaques of Limoges workmanship, Japanese cloisonne and Burnt Wood in every design imaginable.

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At this Xmas Dinner. It Out-looks Any I Have Seen For A Century Or More.



It is not the Dinner it is the nicely fitted up Dining Room that is attracting so much attention.

We know you would like to have your Dining Room fitted up just like this one. So you can enjoy your Xmas as others do. Call and see us and we will talk the matter over. We have a complete line of

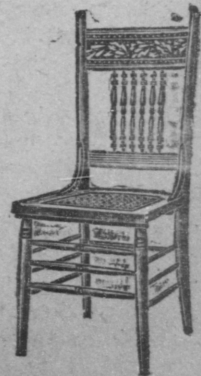
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A big stock of

CHAIRS

to select from and there is no need of anybody waiting. Come and buy now and we do the waiting. We can furnish your house complete.

A. F. Wheeler & Co



THE PACIFIC CABLE.

Hawaiian Islands Connected With the United States by Wire.

Congratulatory Cablegrams Received By the Officials—Another Instance of the Triumph of American Brain and Industry.

New York, Jan. 3.—Clarence Mackay, president; George G. Ward, vice president and general manager, and the other officials of the Commercial Pacific Cable Co., are greatly pleased at the completion of the company's cable between San Francisco and Hawaii, a work to which they have devoted much energy and time during the last few months. They do not propose to stop at Hawaii, however, and now say that by July 4, they expect the cable will have been completed to Manila. Speaking of the project, Mr. Ward said:

"The Commercial Pacific Cable Co.'s cable to Hawaii was connected through to San Francisco at 8:43 p. m. January 1, (Honolulu time). The cable will open for public business on Monday morning, January 5. The widespread interest created by bringing the Hawaiian islands into electric touch with the Pacific coast is evidenced by congratulatory cablegrams received to-day. It is a particular satisfaction to us to have the cable completed on the first day of the new year, because it fulfills our promise to congress. Rapid progress is being made in the manufacture of the sections to be laid between Honolulu and Manila, and over 3,500 miles of this cable have already been manufactured. I fully expect messages will be exchanged with Manila by the 4th of July next. The laying of the remaining sections will commence from Manila the first week in May next."

Among the congratulatory messages received are the following:

Executive Department, California, January 1, 1903.

To Mr. Clarence Mackay, New York.—"The fortunate accomplishment to-day of the grand plan of laying the cable between California and Hawaii, designed and promoted by your revered father, which has been well executed by you and your able and distinguished associates, marks an important epoch in the history of the world. The binding of the Hawaiian Islands and our state with the electric wires is another splendid instance of the triumph of American brain and industry for which you, your father and your joint managers and assistants in the enterprise will be ever gratefully remembered by the people of this state."

(Signed) "HENRY T. GAGE, Governor of California."

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—"To Clarence H. Mackay, President Commercial Cable Co., New York—Please accept for yourself and the officers of the Commercial Pacific Cable Co., our cordial congratulations on the success of the first link of the great Pacific ocean cable for the completion of which we are so much indebted to you."

"Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco, George A. Newhall, President."

"Honolulu, Jan. 1, 1903.—To George G. Ward, Vice President and General Manager, New York: 'To your untiring efforts Hawaii is indebted for an early consummation of the enterprise that means untold advantages to all points and we tender our hearty New Year greetings and trust that the final completion of the entire project will be to your full satisfaction.'

"HENRY E. COOPER, Secretary of Hawaii."

BIG LAND PURCHASE.

Twenty Thousand Acres in Western Kansas Disposed Of.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 3.—Franklin E. Brooke, president of a Cedar Rapids, Ia., investment company, closed a deal Friday for the sale to Veederburg, Ind., Dayton, O., and other eastern capitalists of 20,000 acres of land in Western Kansas which, it is said, is to be made fit for the development of Polled Angus cattle. The tract is situated just southwest of Colby, on the Rock Island railway, in the northwestern corner of the state, and is six miles wide and 12 long.

The Sultan of Johore.

St. Louis, Jan. 3.—Word has been received by the management of the Louisiana Purchase exposition that his highness, Ibrahim, the sultan of Johore, desires to visit the World's fair in 1904 and make a tour of the whole country.

Improved Terminals at Memphis.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 3.—Vice President and General Manager Harahan, of the Illinois Central, who is in the city, stated that the Illinois Central would spend over \$200,000 on terminals at Memphis within the next three months.

Treaty for Arbitration Signed.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The Bolivian minister has received a cable message saying that the Bolivian government has signed a treaty for arbitration with Peru to settle the boundary question. The arbitrator selected is the Argentine government.

New Secretary of War.

Mexico City, Jan. 3.—Gen. Francisco Mena, the newly appointed secretary of war, arrived Friday from the United States after a short stay in Europe. He was greeted at the station by Minister Limantour and friends.

THE FRIAR LANDS.

Evidence Collected By Mgr. Guidi in Regard to Their Sale.

Rome, Jan. 3.—The vatican is in receipt of the first long report on the situation in the Philippines from Mgr. Guidi, apostolic delegate in the islands. The delegate expresses the hope that as he and the governor are both animated by a desire to maintain the pacification and secure the prosperity of the islands they will succeed in reaching an understanding satisfactory to Rome, Washington and the Philippine people.

Mgr. Guidi gives a summary of the evidence he has collected with regard to the selling of the friar lands, the settlement of rentals, damages due the church, the conveyance of titles and the administration of charitable and educational trusts. He thinks the question of the withdrawal of the friars will be solved through the reorganization of the church.

The apostolic delegate says the schism in the Roman Catholic church in the Philippines will be put down, although the separatist movement is believed to be encouraged by the people's dislike of the friars and their desire to have a Filipino church not connected with the ancient regime.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The attention of the officers of the administration charged with the direction of Philippine affairs being called to a dispatch from Rome to the effect that Secretary Hay has written the vatican that Mgr. Messmer, of Green Bay, Wis., is impossible for the position of bishop of Manila because of the speech which he recently made before the Catholic Truth Federation, the statement was made in the most emphatic terms that there was absolutely no foundation for the story. It was further declared that in no single instance has the United States government allowed itself to be placed in the position of dictating the personality of any priest or church official who was to go or stay in the Philippines.

PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT.

There Was a Decrease of \$10,952,602 During December.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business December 31, 1902, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$947,161,679, which is a decrease for the month of \$10,952,602, which is largely accounted for by an increase of nearly \$10,000,000 in the amount of cash on hand. The debt is recapitulated as follows:

Interest-bearing debt, \$914,541,240.

Debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,255,710.

Debt bearing no interest, \$395,777,109.

Total, \$1,311,574,059.

This amount, however, does not include \$876,574,069 in certificates and treasury notes outstanding which are offset by an equal amount of cash on hand for their redemption.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

It Is Proposed to Present Him With a Piece of Sculpture.

Paris, Jan. 3.—A proposal has been made to present a piece of sculpture to President Roosevelt in recognition of his services to the cause of international arbitration. The idea to make this gift to the American president is an outgrowth of the Venezuelan affair and his attitude on that question. The funds for the purpose probably will be raised by private subscription among European advocates of peace. It is proposed that the work be executed by a prominent French sculptor or the committee possibly may invite designs from the sculptors of all nations parties to The Hague peace court.

ARMY WAR COLLEGE.

Corner Stone Will Be Laid With Appropriate Ceremonies January 22.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Secretary Root Friday announced that the corner stone of the army war college in the Washington barracks reservation will be laid with appropriate ceremonies on the 22d inst. The masonic rites usual on such occasions will be observed. The president and all the members of the cabinet will attend, and it is probable that Secretary Root will make a short address. All the troops stationed at Washington barracks and possibly those stationed at Forts Meyer, Washington and Hunt will participate.

Italian Peddlers Fight.

Santiago, Cuba, Jan. 3.—Seven Italian peddlers became involved in a drunken brawl here Thursday and fought desperately with knives and revolvers. Two of the men were killed instantly, two died Friday in the hospital, the fifth was fatally and the sixth man severely wounded. The seventh man, who did most of the killing, was not hurt. Thirty revolver shots were fired in two minutes. The men concerned were brothers and cousins.

Isaac S. George Dead.

Baltimore, Jan. 3.—Isaac S. George, 84 years old, financier and banker, died at his home here Friday. Until a few years ago Mr. George was prominent in financial circles, having been for 20 years president of the Traders' national bank.

Granted a Ten Per Cent. Increase.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 3.—Locomotive engineers and firemen employed in the local jurisdiction of the Santa Fe & Southern Pacific system have been granted an increase of wages averaging ten per cent.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The Annual Report of Gov. William H. Taft.

The Country Since Last July Has Been Policed By the Constabulary, a Force of Five or Six Thousand Men.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The annual report of the Philippine commission and a separate report by Gov. W. H. Taft, made public at the war department Sunday, gives a review of the results of the year's work of the commission and contains recommendations for legislative action by congress deemed essential to the welfare of the islands.

After reciting a history of the establishment of civil government throughout the various provinces, Gov. Taft, in his report, says it has not been definitely determined what shall be done with respect to Mindanao, where, he says, hostility to the Americans does not extend beyond the Lake Lanao Moros. The governor is of the opinion that it may be possible to induce the sultan of Jolo to part with some of the rights to claims to the Jolo group and thus obviate many obstacles now encountered. The Moros, he says, do not understand popular government and do not desire it, preferring control by dattos.

"Possibly far in the future," says he, "control by dattos may cease. For the present, however, it is necessary only to provide a paternal, strong but sympathetic government for these followers of Mohammed."

Gov. Taft tells of the conditions that have made it necessary for the islands to purchase about \$15,000,000 worth of food on which to live, and of the effects war has had upon agriculture, almost the only source of wealth in the islands. The greatest blow to agriculture, he says, is the destruction of about 90 per cent. of the water buffalo, on which the cultivation of rice is almost wholly dependent. After speaking of the ravages of Asiatic cholera, Gov. Taft says:

"The bane of Philippine civilization in the past was ladronism, and the present conditions are most favorable for its growth and maintenance. It is not certain whether in the depressed state of agriculture, with the temptations to ladronism, that the constabulary will be able without the assistance of the military, to stamp it out. Were there temptations to agriculture, were there prosperous conditions in the country, it would not be a trouble some matter to deal with, but when want and famine are staring people in the face the life of the freebooter forms to the desperate and the weak a very great attraction. The natural discontent with the government when suffering is at hand, promoted by it is by cholera restrictions and the high prices of rice and other commodities which have been greatly increased by the depreciation of silver, might well have caused a new breaking out of the insurrection, and in my judgment it speaks wonders for the ease with which this country may be governed in normal times that we have comparatively so little disorder since the surrender of the insurgent arms in April."

Since the civil government was completely established in the Philippine provinces throughout the archipelago in July of last year the governor says an American soldier has not been called on once to fire a gun, the country having been policed by the constabulary, a force of five or six thousand men.

"It may be," says Gov. Taft, "that as the conditions grow worse—for they are likely to do so before they grow better—it will be necessary in a province like Cavite, where ladronism seems inbred in the people, to proclaim martial law and even to call on the military finally to suppress it, but it is still hoped this may be avoided."

SUCCESSFUL TEST.

Torpedo Boat Destroyer McDonough Speeded Over a Measured Mile.

Boston, Jan. 5.—After waiting for two days for good weather the torpedo boat destroyer McDonough, built by the Fore River Ship and Engine Co. of Quincy, Mass., was successfully speeded over a measured mile off Wood End, Provincetown, Sunday. She exceeded her contract requirement of 28 knots, making one leg at a rate of 28.56. The best two runs over the mile averaged 28.02, which was the speed which gained her acceptance by the government board.

Lincoln Memorial Sabbath.

New York, Jan. 5.—The American Missionary association is about to issue an invitation and appeal to the congregational churches, Sabbath-schools and endeavor societies of the country requesting an observance on Sunday, February 15, as "Lincoln Memorial Sabbath," commemorative of Abraham Lincoln.

Boy and Horses Burned to Death.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 5.—J. H. Williams, a stable boy, and 23 horses were burned to death Sunday in a fire at the plant of Hughes Bros. Extract Co. A warehouse was consumed with its contents. Loss \$50,000 on machinery and manufactured goods.

Movement of Coal.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 5.—By midnight Sunday night the Reading Co. expected to have transported to market for the preceding 48 hours 3,500 cars of anthracite coal. This movement of coal began Saturday morning.

THE COLORED POSTMISTRESS.

It Is Feared There Will Be Trouble When She Opens the Post Office.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 5.—A staff correspondent of the Commercial Appeal at Indianola, Miss., wires that paper at 1:30 a. m. as follows:

Sheriff A. C. Cox, of this county, stated Sunday night that if Minnie Cox wanted to open the post office and feared violence he would deputize a sufficient complement of men to guard the office and patrol the town. The colored postmistress has made no application to the authorities for protection.

The flurry of excitement prevailing here is apparently contagious to the surrounding country towns and there has been an influx of visitors here Sunday. Special correspondents from Chicago, New Orleans, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Memphis arrived on the night trains. The city and county officials believe that a number of secret service men are on the scene awaiting any developments that may arise.

Post Office Inspector Fitzgerald has been assigned here from Louisiana. He went direct to the home of the sheriff Sunday night with Mayor Davis, where a conference was held. He caught a train out later.

FIRE IN HONOLULU.

Defective Electric Wiring Caused a Loss of Over \$100,000.

Honolulu, Dec. 5.—(By Pacific Cable).—A fire causing a loss of over \$100,000 occurred here Sunday. The fire broke out in the general merchandise store of L. B. Kerr & Co., and probably was caused by defective electric wiring. J. F. Morgan also sustained heavy loss.

A letter received here from Thos. Fitch, the Washington attorney for the Marcus Island Guano Co., says that Japan is relinquishing her claim to Marcus Island and is willing to allow the United States to take possession. Japan will also deport her subjects now on the island and is ready to pay as a reasonable indemnity \$10,000 on account of the loss sustained in the trip of the schooner Julia Whalen, which was refused a landing on the island.

WRECK ON THE SOUTHERN.

Engineer White Was Killed and 27 Passengers Injured.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 5.—Passenger train No. 37 on the Southern railway, bound from Atlanta to Birmingham, was derailed about 10:30 o'clock Saturday night near Weems Station, about 15 miles from this city. The baggage and mail cars were completely wrecked and were thrown down an embankment.

Although the train was filled with passengers Engineer White was the only person who was killed. His body was found under the engine, horribly mangled. About 27 passengers were injured.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.

It Is Conceded That Penrose Will Be Elected United States Senator.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 5.—The Pennsylvania legislature will convene on Tuesday noon and will adjourn finally probably on April 16. The republicans control both branches and it is conceded that Boies Penrose will be elected United States senator to succeed himself. Henry F. Walton, of Philadelphia, will be chosen speaker of the house of representatives and John M. Scott, of Philadelphia, will be elected president pro tem. of the senate.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Two Cases Reported in the Town of Ahome, in Sinaloa.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 5.—A special from Hermosillo, Mex., says: Two cases of bubonic plague have been reported in the little town of Ahome, in Sinaloa, not far from the Sonora border. The authorities of Sonora have notified those of Sinaloa that a sanitary cordon has been established on the border and no one will be permitted to enter the state from the south.

Sir Liang Cheng to Wed.

Peking, Jan. 5.—Sir Liang Cheng, minister designated to the United States, will marry the daughter of the Chinese minister at Paris, Yu Keng, before leaving for Washington. The wedding probably will take place at Canton. Yu Keng's daughter was educated abroad and speaks English and French. She is one of the few Chinese women of modern education and modern ideas.

Lutheran League of America.

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 5.—Rev. Luther Kuhns, pastor of Grace Lutheran church, resigned to accept the general secretaryship of the Lutheran League of America, with headquarters in New York city. The league has 3,000 societies and 125,000 members.

Pansy Roosevelt Ill.

New York, Jan. 5.—The friends of Miss Pansy Roosevelt, cousin and chum of Miss Alice Roosevelt, have just learned to their dismay that that charming young woman, stricken with nervous prostration, is under treatment in a private sanitarium.

Lieutenant Disappears.

Leavenworth, Kan., Jan. 5.—Lieut. Edward O. Perkins, 4th cavalry, disappeared from Fort Leavenworth last Tuesday and has neither reported to his commander nor been heard from since. He had domestic trouble.

CASTRO WILL STICK.

He Has No Intention of Resigning the Presidency.

The German Government Is Without Information Regarding the Landing of German Marines at Puerto Cabello.

Berlin, Jan. 2.—President Castro's reply to the powers, through Minister Bowen, is substantially unqualified acceptance of their proposals to arbitrate and the accompanying conditions. The foreign office here received his answer Thursday and is satisfied with its spirit. A further interchange of views, preparatory to signing the protocol, will take place in Washington. The only really important question to be settled is what shall be done with the blockade. A continuance of the blockade is relied upon to hasten the conclusion of the arbitration preliminaries, especially on the part of Venezuela.

Caracas, Jan. 5.—The report that President Castro proposes to abdicate or resign the presidency of Venezuela is untrue. A press correspondent saw the president with regard to this matter Sunday. The president laughed when questioned, and then said, thoughtfully:

"You are at liberty to say that I have fought during two years to retain the supreme power which was invested in me by the people of Venezuela. I will no more abdicate than I will resign. The Matos resolution, without assistance from foreign powers, will soon be a past story."

The course pursued by the allied powers in maintaining the blockade of La Guayra has caused astonishment among the foreign residents of this city. When the Dutch steamer Prinz Willem V. arrived off La Guayra to take on board the European mails, the authorities at La Guayra sent the mail out in a small boat. This boat was stopped by the British cruiser on blockade and the mail bags were taken on board the warship. The postal clerks who were in the small boat say the mail bags notwithstanding their protests, were opened on board the cruiser.

The Dutch consul here saw the captain of the British cruiser Tribune Saturday and secured permission for a steamer of the Dutch line to call off La Guayra January 7 and take on board Dr. Van Leyden, the Dutch minister to Venezuela, who is in ill health.

Half the clerks employed in the customs house here have been discharged. This means cutting off the revenue of 60 or more families. The La Guayra custom house will be closed Monday. About 800 stevedores are at present without employment and rioting is feared. The government will doubtless have to employ urgent measures to maintain quiet.

Berlin, Jan. 5.—The government is without information regarding the landing of German marines at Puerto Cabello, Venezuela. The foreign office says that if such landing occurred it must certainly have been transient, and regards the reported seizure of the customs house at Puerto Cabello by German marines as a canard.

"TOPSY" EXECUTED.

Several Hundred Spectators Witnessed the Death of the Elephant.

New York, Jan. 5.—Several hundred spectators Sunday witnessed the execution by electricity at Coney Island of "Topsy," an elephant, who had killed three men and had recently become unmanageable. Immediately after 200 grains of cyanide of potassium had been administered, concealed in a carrot, a current of 6,600 volts was turned on through copper plates on which the animal stood. Almost instantly the elephant fell, and at the end of ten seconds, when the current was turned off, was pronounced to be dead. An autopsy showed that the poison had not had time to take effect. The execution was conducted under the supervision of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to animals.

"Topsy" was about 35 years old and was the first baby elephant exhibited in this country when she was brought here by Adam Forepaugh 23 years ago.

JUDGE FAYETTE SMITH.

The Jurist Passed Away at His Home in Greenfield, Mass.

Greenfield, Mass., Jan. 5.—Judge Fayette Smith, formerly of the court of common pleas in Cincinnati, died here Sunday. He was born in Warwick, Mass., in 1825. After practicing law for a time he went to Cincinnati, where he became a member of the bar and later judge of the court of common pleas for five years. His widow survives him.

Will Drive Out the Cattle.

Denison, Tex., Jan. 5.—The Indian police have been ordered to the Chickasaw nation to drive out all of the cattle upon which the tribal tax has not been paid. The cattle are to be driven across the border into Texas and turned loose there.

United in Death.

Aberdeen, O., Jan. 5.—Just as Mrs. Margaret Clark died at her home in Oliver township her brother, George Gibbons, was stricken with paralysis at his home near here and died a few hours later.

A LURKING DANGER.



There is a lurking danger in the aching back. The aches and pains of the back tell of kidneys overworked. Go to the kidneys' assistance when backache pains warn you.

A kidney warning should be promptly heeded for dangerous diabetes — Bright's disease — are only a step away.

Read how the danger can be averted:

CASE NO. 15,741.—Rev. Jacob D. Van Doren, of 57 Sixth Street, Fond du Lac, Wis., Presbyterian clergyman, says: "A man or woman who has never had kidney complaint or any of the little ills consequent upon irritated or inactive kidneys knows very little about what prolonged suffering is. I had attacks which kept me in the house for days at a time, unable to do anything, and to express what I suffered can hardly be adequately done in ordinary Anglo-Saxon. As time passed, complications set in, the particulars of which I will be pleased to give in a personal interview to any one who requires information. I used plenty of remedies, and, ever on the outlook for something that might check or benefit my condition, I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills. This I can conscientiously say, Doan's Kidney Pills caused a general improvement in my health. They brought great relief by lessening the pain and correcting the action of the kidney secretions."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured the Rev. Jacob Van Doren will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

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THE DOG UNDER THE WAGON.

"Come, wife," said good old Farmer Gray.
"Put on your things, 'tis market day—
And we'll be off to the nearest town.
There and back ere the sun goes down.
Spot? No, we'll leave old Spot behind."
But Spot he barked, and Spot he whined,
And soon made up his doggy mind
To follow under the wagon.

Away they went at a good round pace,
And joy came into the farmer's face.
"Poor Spot," said he, "did want to come,
But I'm awful glad he's left at home;
He'll guard the barn, and guard the cot,
And keep the cattle out of the lot."
"I'm not so sure of that," thought Spot,
The big dog under the wagon.

The farmer all his produce sold,
And got his pay in yellow gold.
Then started homeward after dark,
Home through the lonely forest. Hark!
A robber springs from behind a tree—
"Your money or else your life," says he;
The moon was up, but he didn't see
The big dog under the wagon.

Spot ne'er barked and Spot ne'er whined,
But quickly caught the thief behind;
He dragged him down in the mire and dirt,
And tore his coat and tore his shirt.
Then held him fast on the merry ground;
The robber uttered not a sound.
While his hands and feet the farmer bound,
And tumbled him into the wagon.

So Spot, he saved the farmer's life,
The farmer's money, the farmer's wife;
And now the hero, grand and gay,
A silver collar he wears to-day;
Among his friends, among his foes,
And everywhere his master goes,
He follows on his horny toes,
The big dog under the wagon.
—N. O. Picayune.

A GAS BILL
ROMANCE.

THE big black figure 2 on the calendar on Abbott's desk reminded that young man that it was the second of the month, and that he had a disagreeable duty to perform. He rang a bell.

"I want to get the delinquent notices out this morning, Samuel," he said to the youth who answered his summons. "Just write to those people to the effect that upon examining our books we find that their bills are over a month in arrears, and that unless they are paid in three days we shall be compelled to cut off their supply of gas. Sign my name, and get the notices into the mail as soon as you can."

His stenographer and general factotum disappeared, and Abbott's mind turned into another channel. He was a very capable young business man, having gradually risen to the position of secretary and general manager of the Evans City Consolidated Gas company through his close attention to the company's affairs. But it was not of business that he began to think when Samuel had gone back to his typewriter in the outer office. He saw in his mind's eye a sweet feminine face, with a clear complexion through which the red glowed delicately, a sensitive profile, and big eyes that were not as carefree as such eyes should have been.

"It's hard lines for that poor girl to have to struggle along as she does," said Abbott to himself. "She's not cut out for that sort of thing at all. She hasn't the strength for it. Almost every cent of the little they pay her for her school teaching, and almost every minute of her time outside of school hours, goes to the care of that father of hers. It's pretty hard lines, and she is a little heroine, that's what she is."

This was by no means a new train of thought for Abbott. For several months the image of the fluffy-haired little school-teacher with the big blue eyes had been engaging his attention in season and out. Whenever he dreamed a day dream this image would be the central figure of it, and often the dreams would go to considerable length. For example, he would picture a pretty house, with a pretty lawn around it, and the image acting with charming grace and dignity the role of hostess to their friends; or the image out in the front yard picking roses, or tacking up strings for the morning glory vines, with the breeze rippling her fluffy hair, perhaps.

He sometimes wondered what the girl herself would think if she knew he took such liberties with her image. His acquaintance with her was rather slight. He had called on her a few times, but had never been able to break through the reserve which was the result of her sensitiveness and her aloofness in her devotion to her invalid father, from the society of the young people of the town. The truth of the matter was that, in spite of Abbott's ability in affairs of the head, he was a bungler when it came to matters of the heart. Nobody knew this better than he did himself. Before every call he had made a resolution to be light and easy in manner, to joke with her, to tell her in an off-hand way about himself—he doubted if she even knew what his business was. But it was no use. In the interval between his ringing the doorbell and her descent into the parlor his resolutions would take flight like a flock of frightened sheep, and he would be more ill at ease than ever. So he had made up his mind to take the bull by the horns, as he expressed it to himself, to write her a letter telling

her plainly and simply of the state of his heart and asking her to take him into consideration as a future husband. With the click of Samuel's typewriter in his ears he composed the missive and instructed Samuel to have it mailed without delay. Then, with his mind much relieved, he turned again to prosaic business matters. After luncheon it occurred to him to glance over the names of those whose bills were in arrears.

"Bring me the list of delinquents, Samuel," he directed. He was running his eyes hastily down the column when he stopped suddenly.

"Are—are those letters in the mail yet, Samuel?" he asked, with an effort at calmness.

"Why, yes, sir; got 'em in a couple of hours ago," answered Samuel briskly.

"And that other letter, I suppose you have mailed that, too," Abbott went on in the uncertain voice of a man who is afraid to hear the answer to his question.

"Of course I did, sir. I saw it was going to the same address as one of the others, so I just slipped it into the big envelope with the notice, to save that much postage." Samuel was a zealous youth, who had the interests of the company at heart.

"Oh, you did, did you?" cried Abbott, rising to his feet. "What in the name of—?" He stopped, being accustomed to control himself. "Get back to your work now, Samuel, and hereafter when I tell you to mail a letter just do it in the usual way without any improvements of your own."

Abbott paced the floor. For Miss Hayden to receive from him a peremptory notice that he would shut off the supply of gas unless she paid the bill, and at the same time a declaration of love, was terrible, and also ridiculous. His vicious chewing of the end of his cigar was interrupted by short laughs of scorn at himself for permitting such a thing to happen. If he could only get that letter back!

He knew the postman would never give it up to him. He thought of waylaying him, and smiled grimly at the idea of the secretary of the Evans City Consolidated Gas company turning highwayman and robbing the mails.

He glanced at his watch and made a hasty calculation. It was four minutes past three. There was a three o'clock delivery and the letter was probably in it. But Miss Hayden was not yet home from school. The session was over at three o'clock, to be sure, but what conscientious teacher had no unruly boys to keep in, nor other after-school duties to perform? Abbott decided that she would not be home before 3:30, at the earliest. It would take him about 15 minutes to reach her house. This would give him at least ten minutes' grace in which to bribe the maid, to obtain possession of that letter by hook or by crook, and get away unseen by the mistress of the house. The envelope was fortunately stamped with the company's name, which would be a help to him. He felt that his chances for success were good, after all, but there was that contingency, appalling to contemplate, that Miss Hayden might be at home with his two communications in her possession. He dismissed from his mind as hastily as possible the thought of meeting her under these circumstances.

"Yes, sir, she's just come home from school," said the Irish girl, cheerily, in reply to Abbott's anxious query. "Come right in and I'll tell her you're here."

From his seat on the edge of the parlor chair the young man gazed distractedly at the unsympathetic furniture and the unresponsive brick-brace. If he could only get out of here some way? How could he face her? The clock ticked loudly, with no regard for his state of mind, and every tick was hurrying on the ordeal. He frowned at the clock, and as he did so its tick suddenly seemed to have become a voice of succor, for it had called his attention to a familiar-looking envelope lying beside the clock on the mantelpiece. In three strides he was across the room and was clutching that letter in an eager grip. He had just time to thrust it into his pocket before he heard her footstep on the stairs. Red and agitated he took her extended hand.

"I—I beg your pardon, Miss Hayden. I—I'm glad to see you. I thought I would drop in to see if you wouldn't—if you wouldn't take a walk, that is, a ride. I am feeling a little worn out, you know, and a trip to the park occurred to me as a brace. Won't you come, too?"

Miss Hayden's blue eyes were fixed upon him wonderingly for an instant. It seemed to her a little odd that an active business man should be wanting to go to the park at this time. And then she couldn't understand his embarrassment.

"Why, you see, my father—" she began, doubtfully. Then she remembered that her father had noticed the paleness of her cheeks, and had advised her several times to do this very thing—to take afternoon rides to the park.

"Why, yes, I think it would be delightful," she exclaimed with a touch of enthusiasm in her voice. "It is such a beautiful afternoon. I am very glad to get away from the humdrum cares of life, now and then, and it's very good of you to ask me."

"Not at all," answered Abbott, earnestly.

After Miss Hayden had adjusted her hat she went to the foot of the stairs and called out:

"Katy, I thought you said there was a letter here for me. I don't see it."

"It's right on the mantelpiece, by the clock, ma'am," came Katy's voice

from above. "Why, no, it isn't, Katy."

"It must be, ma'am," insisted Katy. "The postman gave it to me not ten minutes ago, and I put it there with me own hands."

Katy came down stairs, and Abbott, experiencing emotions such as he imagined must be those of the amateur sneak thief, made a feint at aiding in the search for the lost letter. He was intensely relieved when Miss Hayden exclaimed:

"Well, look for it when I am gone, Katy. It will surely turn up, somewhere."

After the first half hour in the park Abbott forgot the letter, except now and then, and he forgot the self-consciousness that had heretofore overwhelmed him in all his efforts when in the company of this girl. They were getting along famously. She was in high spirits; the wall of reserve seemed to have been a mere phantom wall. They went rowing, and were remote from the landing, in a little inlet where the trees on either side mingled their branches overhead and made it seem like twilight.

Here was the time and place, he felt. He would be several varieties of a fool not to take advantage of this opportunity. He prepared to speak out, and felt the perspiration on his brow. This rowing was rather warm work, after all. He drew his handkerchief from his pocket. In its folds it brought the letter, which fluttered down at Miss Hayden's feet. The blood rushed to his face. He was afraid to look at the letter or at her.

"You've dropped a letter," she said, calmly.

Like one who takes a plunge into icy water he glanced down. The blank side had fallen upward. With an assumption of carelessness he picked it up, and then, to give vent to his feelings, began to row strenuously. In a moment they were in open water again; his mind was no longer in condition for a declaration, and a golden opportunity on a golden afternoon was gone.

"Just cross that Hayden bill off your list, Samuel, it's attended to," directed Abbott the next day in the office. He did not intend that Miss Hayden should be bothered by any more bills if he could help it, and he had formed a resolution, so intense that it was grim, to make an attempt to help it without further parley or delay.

It was about four in the afternoon when Samuel rose with alacrity from his typewriter, and stood grinning at the counter, as he always did at the approach of a feminine patron of the company.

"I came to pay my bill," said Miss Hayden, opening her purse. "I am afraid it is a little overdue, but—"

"Oh, that's all right," interrupted Samuel, "you don't owe us anything, your bill's paid."

"Paid? But that can't be. I don't understand."

"Well, our secretary knows all about it. You had better see him. Come right this way."

The zealous Samuel threw open the glass door of Abbott's office with a bow, and the young man stood face to face. He was on his own ground here, and was wholly at his ease, while she was very much embarrassed. He took the hand that she almost unconsciously held out, and led her to a chair. "You may go now," he said to Samuel.

But Samuel did not go very far. He has ears that stand out from his head inquisitively, and was able to gather a very fair idea of what transpired on the other side of that glass door. Samuel won't tell. It is enough to say that in the near future Miss Hayden will not have to pay any more bills, nor even to teach school. The expression of care has given place to one of happiness in her big blue eyes.—N. Y. Times.

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FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.
We are authorized to announce C. E. BUTLER as a candidate for re-election to the office of Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, February 14th.

This is the time of the year when a good many men are thinking about good resolutions for next year. The thing is to keep those resolutions.

"Ring out the old, ring in the new," is all very well for some things, but there is a lot of old things we are not yet ready to part with and a lot of new that we don't want just yet.

They are now having double header lynchings in South Carolina. The Palmetto State is nothing if it is not unique and goes the limit in politics, whisky and lynchings.

A COLUMBUS, O., man who married a nurse in a hospital out of gratitude to her for kindness when he was sick now wishes he had died. Women, like things, are not always what they seem.

The Boston papers admit that the city has a few bad rascals as Chicago. The latest one robbed a citizen on Harvard bridge and threw him into the water, whence he was rescued later almost dead.

TELL you what, the "new woman" does have some very sensible ideas. Now, many of the woman's rights say there is no reason why a woman should not support a husband if she thinks he is worthy.

It must have been a very green Christmas in Texas, as it unquestionably made more than one fat grave yard. In the Lone Star State on that day no less than twenty-three men were killed as the result of holiday carousing.

OF THE 6,000 miles of steam railway laid in the United States during the closing year Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and the Indian Territory lead in the order named with an aggregate of 1,300 miles. It is to the Middle Southwest that the tide of empire now takes its way.

INDIANA is at a loss to determine which was the greater man, Morton or Hendricks, as they are to immortalize the greatest Hoosier in the hall of fame. Why not select William S. Taylor? He seems to be the greatest man in Indiana according to Durbin.—Lexington Democrat.

It is a perplexing problem for us to understand why some parents are so indifferent about the education of their children. The taxpayers, at a heavy expense, provide free schools for the children, and yet we see children of school age on the streets every day that should be in school. It is a serious crime to permit children to grow up in ignorance where good free schools are provided for their education.—Winchester Democrat.

AMUSEMENTS.

EFFIE ELLISER TO-NIGHT.
—Effie Elliser says the parts of Mary Tudor in "When Knighthood Was In Flower" is the most arduous role physically she has ever played. The part demanding her presence on the stage two hours out of the three required for the action of the play. The speeches contain a greater number of words than those allotted to Rosalind, one of Miss Elliser's former characterizations. In the complex role of Princess Mary, Miss Elliser runs the gamut of emotions. As a result of the rigorous nature of the role both physically and mentally, she is compelled to have the dressing room darkened for fourteen minutes at the conclusion of the second act. She goes to it upon the fall of the curtain and sleeps through the nine minutes intermission and the five which lapse between the lifting of the curtain on the third act and her first appearance in that act. She is peculiarly fortunate in being able to drop asleep the moment she closes her eyes in a darkened room.

—"Old Innocence," in which Mr. Tim Murphy is appearing this season, is one of the cleanest comedies on the boards. It involves no shady characters. The production is void of the screaming vulgarity of much of our later day stage fun. It moves swiftly without recourse to mere horse play, and the effect of the presentation is not to make one feel that the play is written to the level of bar room and race track humor. Mr. Murphy will be supported by Miss Dorothy Sherrord, and an exceptionally strong acting company, when he makes his appearance at the Grand on next Saturday night.

THE FAIR

These Specials on Sale For Friday Only.

Extra Buggy Whips, wine color.....9c
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Large Deep Galvanized Foot Tubs.....39c
Two Foot Folding Rules.....24c
Ten Quart Painted Slop Pails.....24c
Wire Hair Pins, a box.....1c
Dust Pans, each.....5c
Embroidery Silk, 8 skeins for.....25c
Nursing Bottle and Brush to clean Bottle, a pair.....8c

A 30-DAY SALE OF LACES AND EMBROIDERIES.

Copy of a letter from a New York Importer in Laces and Embroideries.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29th, 1902.
THE FAIR:—We to-day send you by freight (prepaid) a shipment of Laces and Embroideries—place them in your window at 5c, 5c and 7½c a yard and if not sold in 30 days, return at our expense. The goods are now on display in your window. If they are cheap you must be the judge to their cheapness, as we shall return them in 30 days if any left and probably earlier.

STOCK AND CROP.

—Frank Collier sold Mr. Tom Linville 15 fat heifers at 4c.

—Dr. C. Fowler sold to J. H. Baughman & Co. 500 bales of timothy hay at \$12.—Interior-Journal.

—Over 250 mules changed hands at Columbia, Tenn., in one day at prices ranging from \$50 to \$175.

—Edwards & Ellis bought a small crop of tobacco of E. P. Claybrook, of Hutchinson, at 7:50 straight.

—S. T. Harbison & Co., of Lexington, sold nine trotting horses to Tichenor & Co., of Chicago, for \$20,000.

—Many horses and mules are dying in Western Kentucky of blind staggers, said to be caused by eating bad corn.

—At Hutchinson, James Gray sold bunch of fat hogs, 240-pounds average, to John Bayless, at \$5.65 per hundred.

—Scarlet Wilkes 2:22½, sire of George 2:6½, &c., added two new ones to the list in Lulu Glacier, 2:23½ and Oscar 2:20½.

—Fourteen weanlings by Jay Bird sold in the Tranter-Kenney sale for an average of \$206.57 per head, a showing unequalled in the history of Lexington sales.

—Kit Chinn, a Mercer horseman, has gone to San Francisco to attend the races now in progress. He has a string of six high class entries, shipped from the Mercer County Stock Farm of Chinn & Forsyth.

—Jonas Weil sold to Erice Steel, one lot of 61 and one lot 56 feeders, weighing 1,150 at 4½ cents; also to John Roseberry, 28-yearlings at \$29 per head. Mr. Weil is feeding about 800 cattle at Walsh's distillery.

—Mr. Joshua Ritter, our hustling commission merchant, sold 616 turkeys on the Cincinnati market just before Christmas for one thousand "semolens." He paid all the way from 8 to 12½ cents for them on foot, and realized a nice profit.—Falmouth Pendletonian.

—Maj. H. B. Hersey, of the Kentucky Division of the Weather Bureau, has received encouraging reports as to the wheat crop. In some portions of the State complaint has been made of the Hessian fly doing a little damage, but the prospects are, in the main, better than for years past.

—The offerings to tobacco on the Louisville market during the year were 164,527 hogs heads; rejections 31,159; actual sales 133,368 hogheads. The total value of the sales was \$10,696,658, an average of \$80.81 a hoghead. The actual sales in 1901 were 127,543, of the value of \$10,028,706. The total actual sales in the Cincinnati market for 1902 were 51,045 hogheads.

—Scott Hudson is reported to have priced a farm in Mercer county lately with a view of establishing his projected stock farm in that locality. He is said to have had in view the old D. L. Curry place, now owned by Bonta Bros., on the Lexington pike. The place is one of the most advantageously located for the purpose in the county, and adjoins Col. Jack Chinn's breeding establishment.

A YOUNG man was arrested in New York, charged with having attempted to cut off a young woman's hand to obtain the diamond rings displayed on her fingers.

Trade **P. & J.** Mark

We Want To Thank You

Parker & James wish to thank the people of Paris for their splendid support during the past year, and especially for their patronage during the Christmas shopping period. Our business has surpassed all expectations. We trust all merchandise sold by us will prove satisfactory, and urge you to allow us to rectify any mistake we might have made during this week's rush. It is our aim to give such values and treatment to our patrons that they will never cease to talk good of us.

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Men's All-wool Suits and Overcoats in the latest styles and fabrics **\$7.50 and \$10**

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PRIMARY ELECTION.

At a meeting of the Democratic Committee for Bourbon County on Monday, December 1, 1902, it was ordered that a Primary Election be held at the various voting precincts in Bourbon County, between the hours of 6 a. m. and 4 p. m., on

Saturday, February 14, 1903,

for the purpose of nominating candidates for Clerk of the Bourbon Circuit Court and Representative to the Lower House of the next General Assembly. Said primary will be held under the laws governing Primary Elections in the State of Kentucky.

R. K. McCARNEY, Sec'y.
GEO. W. MORROW, Ch'm'n.

FOR SALE.

A number of pure Bronze Turkeys.
MRS. JAMES THOMPSON,
Hutchinson, Ky.

New Cash Grocery.

With long experience, buying for cash, selling for cash, no accounts to lose, small expense, etc., I am able to do business on a close margin and can offer special inducements to large cash buyers, at my new stand, Massie building, next to Hinton's Jewelry Store. Call and see me.

Respectfully,
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FOR RENT.

A two-story Frame House, in good location. Apply at THE NEWS office.

THE BOURBON NEWS

SWIFT CHAMP, EDITOR AND OWNER.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS.

HEMP WANTED.—See us before selling
E. F. SPEARS & SONS.

TALK TO T. Porter Smith about fire insurance.

RESUMED.—The City Schools resumed yesterday morning, after the Christmas and New Year's vacation.

VERY GOOD.—Lexington enters 1903 without any "fake" investment companies, says the Arrow.

FOR RENT.—One desirable furnished room with board and bath. Centrally location. Inquire at News office. 2t

SWORN IN.—The new road supervisors of Bourbon county were sworn in yesterday and have entered upon their duties.

BASE BALL.—A Lexington base ball club was recently incorporated with a capital of \$5,000 divided into shares of \$10 each.

SALE FOR TAXES.—The Sheriff made a sale of delinquent tax-payers' property on the public square yesterday. The delinquent list was the smallest in years.

MEET TO-DAY.—The Board of Tax Supervisors will meet to day. If you have any complaint to make regarding your taxes, now is the time to make it known.

TO MEET IN LEXINGTON.—A call has been made for the second annual congress of the National Liberal party to meet in Lexington on January 23, 24 and 25.

STALLIONS.—Attention is directed to the advertisement in another column of Jay Bird, Baron Wilkes, Jr., and Scarlet Wilkes, the famous stallions of Mapiehurst Stock Farm.

INSTALLATION.—The new officers-elect of the Knights of Pythias lodge will be installed at Castle Hall at the regular meeting on next Thursday night. All members are requested to be present.

WATCH LOST.—Small gold-filled watch, No. 934,573, American Waltham make, last Saturday night between the Opera House and Claysville. Reward if returned to this office. (23t)

MASTER'S SALE.—Attention is called to the advertisement in this issue of THE NEWS to the Master's Sale of the old Christian church property, on Main street, which will take place on January 17th.

A CHANGE.—I have recently employed another barber and put in another chair, making four in all. You can always get a turn at my shop. Service the best.
(tf) TOM CRAWFORD.

RABBIS.—A wagon containing five hundred rabbits was on sale at Maysville, last week. The price was 10 cents. Here in Paris there has been a trust formed on the cottontails and they have sold at 15 cents. Very few found ready sale.

WANTED.—A reliable nurse for infant. References required. Address
MRS. O. H. HARNEY,
629 Elsmere Park,
Lexington, Ky.
(2t)

LAND SALE.—Auctioneer Forsyth sold for Henry Spears, Special Commissioner, yesterday, a house and 30½ acres of land, near Spears' Mill, belonging to Thos. Woodford's heirs, to A. B. Lovell, for the sum of \$3,700. He sold privately 10 shares of the First National Bank of Paris, at \$110.50 per share.

OPERATION.—A successful operation was performed on Mrs. Gertrude W. Thompson, of this county, for acute appendicitis by Drs. Barkley and Kenney late Friday night at the St. Joseph's Hospital, in Lexington. She was taken to the hospital in a very alarming condition, but she has improved steadily since the operation.

FOR CLERK.—In this issue of THE NEWS will be found the announcement of Mr. Chas. E. Butler, who is a candidate for re-election to the office he now holds, Clerk of the Bourbon Circuit Court. Mr. Butler has filled the office with credit to both himself and the party and asks for the support of his friends in the coming election.

COL. I. B. NALL, State Commissioner of Agriculture and Chairman of the Committee on Agricultural and Horticultural Exhibits of the Kentucky Exhibit Association, this week announces his sub-committees for every county in Kentucky. Col. Nall spent three weeks in perfecting this organization, and beyond a doubt, it is one of the best in the country for the work to be done. In every instance citizens who are known to be interested either in agriculture or horticulture, were appointed. The committee for this county is as follows: J. M. Craig, Chairman, Paris; Silas E. Bedford, C. E. Butler, A. W. Wright, Paris; E. K. Thomas, A. G. Jones, North Middletown.

For Lieutenant Governor.

Hon. Abram Renick, of Clark county, candidate for Lieutenant Governor, was in the city, yesterday, and paid THE NEWS office a call. Mr. Renick, as Representative in the last Legislature from the county of Clark, made a model officer, and if elected to the position to which he aspires, would reflect credit upon his party. He is a dyed-in-the-wool Democrat, and is a hard worker in his party. Heretofore there has not been the attention paid to selecting good officers of this rank, and in the selection of Mr. Renick, the people would make no mistake, as he would unquestionably fill the place to which he aspires with credit both to himself and the party. Mr. Renick was formerly of this county, where he has many friends.

Partnership Dissolved.

The firm of Lancaster & Northcott, dealers in real estate, in this city, has been dissolved. The dissolution of the partnership and the mutual delivery of deeds are the considerations involved. The property in Lexington, owned by the firm, is conveyed to Mr. Lancaster in fee and simple, and the Paris property owned by the firm is deeded to Mr. Northcott and wife, except such as is now in litigation in Bourbon county.

Will Meet in Paris.

The Republican Executive Committee of the Third Kentucky Railroad District, met in called session at Lexington, Saturday, for the purpose of selecting a time and place for holding the next Railroad Convention to nominate a candidate for Railroad Commissioner for this district.

After a brief session, the committee directed that the convention should be held at Paris, May 6, at 2 o'clock p. m., and it was further directed that all county conventions in the district should be held at their respective court houses on Saturday, May 2, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the convention in this city.

Court Day Report.

THERE were 250 cattle on the market yesterday; all sold. Sloppy and disagreeable. Crowd small. Simon Weil sold 53 head of calves to J. E. Gray at \$18 per head. W. H. Whaley, Jr., sold 9 850-pound cattle to Ed. Sparks at \$4.25. W. E. Simms sold 16 head 900-pound cattle to H. V. Thompson at \$3.80. M. Solomon sold 40 head of 800-pound cattle to John Roseberry at \$4.25. Caywood & Gilkey sold 53 head 850-pound cattle to Capt. J. E. Nelson at \$4.50. J. Wiel sold 20 head of 800-pound cattle to John Roseberry at 4¢.

CUPID'S ARROW.

The following announcement has been received in this city. The groom was formerly a resident of this city:

Mrs. M. S. Singleton announce the marriage of her daughter, Marion Winifred,

to
Mr. George Davis Bivin,
on Wednesday Evening, December the thirty-first, Nineteen Hundred and two, Cleveland.

At home after Feb. 1st, 303 Monroe street, Buffalo, N. Y.

—Mr. James Montgomery, manager of the Paris Gas office in this city, and Miss Elizabeth Ashurst will be married at 2:30 o'clock to-day by Elder Lloyd Darsie.

FARM PURCHASED.—Alex. T. Rice purchased yesterday of John W. Bedford, a farm of 70 acres lying on the Paris and Riddles Mills turnpike at \$95 per acre.

CHURCH CHIMES.

—Lent begins in February this year. Easter Sunday comes on April 12th.

—Detroit is arranging for the International Epworth League convention.

—Southern Presbyterian churches will take Home Mission collections this month.

—The Rev. B. B. Binly has moved from Winchester, Ky., to Jackson, Tenn.

—Canadian Congregationalists, Methodists and Presbyterians are preparing to unite.

—Kentucky Conference minutes show a decrease of \$4,885 in pastors' salaries. The decrease is caused by deducting allowance for rents of parsonages.

—Communion services will be held at the Second Presbyterian church on next Sunday morning. Preparatory services will be held on Saturday morning.

—The nation now has 1,575 Young Men's Christian Associations, with 323,234 members. They own 414 buildings, employ 1,812 secretaries. The expenditures last year were \$3,515,793; value of buildings, \$24,101,229.

—At a congregational meeting of the Baptist church held on Saturday, Rev. G. W. Argabrite was re-elected pastor of the Baptist church for another year. Rev. Argabrite is a good pastor and has made many warm friends during his stay in Paris, who will be glad to know that he will remain here.

PERSONAL MENTION

—Miss Margaret Ewalt is home from Dayton, O.

—Judge H. C. Smith is able to be at his office, after a slight illness.

—Miss Willie Johnson will leave this week for her home in Chicago.

—Charles Wilmoth, of Detroit, Mich., is the guest of his mother, in this city.

—Miss Bessie Edwards has been the guest of Miss Edith Collier, in Cynthiana.

—Lan Butler left on Friday for Charleston, W. V., where he will engage in business.

—Misses Lucy and May Colville returned Monday from a visit to friends at Carlisle.

—Miss Lucy Montague has returned to Harrodsburg, after a visit to friends in this city.

—Mr. J. Simms Wilson and family were guests of relatives in Cynthiana, last week.

—Miss Iva McCarney returned to her home, in Cincinnati, after a fortnight's visit to friends in this city.

—Mrs. A. M. Peck, of Washington City, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. G. W. Argabrite.

—Mrs. Samuel Biggs, of Huntington, W. Va., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hedges, in this city.

—Mrs. Ule Howard, of Covington, has been the pleasant guest of her mother, Mrs. C. Alexander, on Pleasant street.

—Miss Anna B. Boulden, of Millersburg, and Miss Lucile Hennessey, of Lexington, are the guests of Mrs. J. Morgan Browne.

—Miss Maye Shanklin, of Lexington, was the guest of Miss Eddie Spears, and attended the German in this city, on Friday night.

—Mr. Chas. S. Brent, of Lexington, and formerly of this city, will spend the balance of the winter in Florida, for the benefit of his health.

—Mrs. Fred Hornsey, who has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Kriener, in this city, left for her home in Lexington, on Saturday.

—Col. A. J. Lovely, who has been spending the holidays with his friends in this city, will leave for the Confederate Home, at Pewee Valley, to-morrow.

—Mr. L. VanArsdale, who has been the guest of his daughter, Mrs. C. B. Mitchell, during the holidays, left for his home in Mercer county on Saturday.

—Mr. Foster Lytle will return from Maysville this week and resume his old position with C. B. Mitchell. Mr. Lytle has many friends, who will welcome him back to Paris.

—Mrs. Sidney G. Clay, Miss Washington and Miss Nannie Wilson will entertain the "As You Like It" Club on Wednesday, Jan. 14th, at Mrs. Minnie Wilson's, on High street.

—Harold Johnson left yesterday for Mt. Sterling and will start next week to travel for an importing grocery firm in New York. His territory will embrace Tennessee and Arkansas.

—The Cynthiana Democrat says: Mr. N. H. Ecklar, a fine young man of this county, has removed to Paris, to accept a position with his brother-in-law, who is in business in Paris. Mr. Ecklar is all right, and the Paris people should welcome him.

—The Mt. Sterling Sentinel Democrat, in speaking of the hop given there last Tuesday night, says: Miss Eddie Spears, of Paris, one of the loveliest, most attractive and popular girls on the floor, wore a becoming dress of white silk, diamonds.

—Thomas H. Goodwin, who has been operator here for the East Tennessee Telephone Company, has accepted a position with the same company at Paris, where he goes to-day. He is an excellent young man and we wish him prosperity. —Mt. Sterling Gazette.

—The Lexington Democrat, in speaking of an ex-Parisian, says: Mr. E. T. ("Zeke") Porter, a valuable member of the Leader staff, is indisposed at his home on West Main street. Mr. Porter is suffering from an attack of lumbago and while it is not at all serious, it is very painful. Zeke's friends all wish for him a very speedy recovery.

DEATHS.

Mrs. Mary E. Johnson died at the family residence on Mt. Airy avenue, Friday morning last at 5 o'clock, from a result of a stroke of paralysis received on December 24th.

The deceased was the wife of Mr. W. H. H. Johnson and was aged 56 years, and was a daughter of the late David Judy, of Nicholas county. She is survived by her husband and four daughters, Mrs. Lida B. Conway, Mrs. J. F. Clarke and Misses Sue and Willie Johnson, and one son, Harold Johnson.

The funeral services were held at the residence on Sunday morning and the interment was in the Millersburg cemetery.

Mrs. Johnson was a good Christian woman, who had many friends and her sad taking off will be mourned by a large circle of friends, who deeply sympathize with the family in their hour of darkness.

—Mrs. Mattie Tabb Scott, a native of Bourbon county, and known throughout Kentucky for her beauty, died Friday at Galveston, Tex.

SOCIALDOM.

—On Friday evening, Jan. 2nd, the Odd Fellows' Hall was the scene of the most brilliant and decidedly the largest German ever given in Paris. It was most beautifully led by Mr. John Brennan and Miss Annie Johnson, of Mt. Sterling. There were many beautiful figures. Instead of the customary favors, handsome prizes were awarded to the lady and gentlemen drawing the lucky number. Miss Fannie Johnson and Mr. Albert Hinton were the fortunate winners. Those present were: Misses Annie Johnson, M. Sterling; Florence Rogers, Maysville; Lizzette Dickson, Lizzie Mennen Turney, Van Greenleaf, Richmond; Amelia Clay, Mary Brent, Woodford, Winchester; Ollie Butler, Milda McMillan, Sue Buckner, Phoebe Beckner, Winchester; Crosthwaite, Lexington; Chick, Lexington; Clay Croxton, Winchester; Edna Fithian, Elizabeth Embry, Eddie Spears, Hattie Maun, Carroll Buck, Kone, Virginia; Sallie Lockhart, Mary Clay, Maye Shanklin, Lexington; Margaret Butler, Mary Lou Fithian, Winn, Winchester; Fannie Johnson, Gertrude Renick, Sallie Morgan, Lexington; Nannie Clay, Martha Clay, Helen Frank, Mrs. Lida Ferguson; Messrs. John Brennan, Albert Hinton, John Spears, Hugh Brent, Will Clark, Duncan Bell, John Sweeney, Woodford, Winchester, Ben Woodford, Hume Payne, Clarence Thomas, Chas. McMillan, Kidd, Lexington; Ed. Hutchcraft, Edwin Sweeney, Brower, Lexington; Aylette Buckner, Will Hinton, John Roberts, John Yerkes, Clarence Kenney, Wm. Taylor, Buckner Woodford, Jim Woodford, Oak Hinton, Dr. Daugherty, Dr. Daily, Geo. Clay, Ed. Tucker, Ollie Turney, Lee Spears, Quincy Ward; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Clay, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kenney, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wornall, Messrs. Sam Clay, Beckner, Hampton, Henry May, Ford Brent, Robert Lyne, Jim Buckner, Tom Buckner.

—On New Year's day Miss Lizzette Dickson and Miss Gertrude Renick kept open house at the home of Miss Dickson, on Stoner Avenue. It was an ideal winter afternoon and the bright sunshine came forth to brighten the New Year and give charm to the lovely occasion. As we reached the door, soft, sweet strains of music was heard, and within was a bower of loveliness. The house was beautifully decorated in ferns, palms and red carnations. Miss Greenleaf, of Richmond, Ky., was on the receiving line with Miss Dickson and Miss Renick. They were assisted in entertaining by Misses Eddie Spears and Fannie Johnson.

Miss Sophia Innes and Lizzie Mennen Turney presided at the punch-bowl. The lunch consisted of salads, meat and substantial. The table was a beauty, and was decorated in the color scheme of red and green. Misses Ollie Butler and Mildred McMillan presided in the dining room, while Miss Nannie Wilson, in her usual charming manner, served the coffee.

A large number of friends called in the afternoon, and a large number of young people and young married people in the evening. It was lovely entertainment and seldom do we see such an array of pretty girls, throughout the year 1903, we will cherish a sweet remembrance of this open house.

—The Progressive Culture Club will meet with Mrs. Thos. Helm Clay next Friday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock.

Master's Sale.

BOURBON CIRCUIT COURT.

Trustees of the Christian Church, of Paris, Kentucky, on Petition.

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale made and entered into in the above styled cause on the 12th day of December, 1902, I will sell publicly on the premises at eleven o'clock a. m., on

Saturday, Jan. 17, 1904,

the following described real estate:

"A lot or parcel of ground located in Paris, Kentucky; between Main and High streets, bounded by Main Street, Eighth street and High street, and the property of Martin Doyle and the Patterson Heirs, fronting on Main street 66 2-3 feet, more or less, and extending the same width to High street, a distance of 214 feet, more or less.

I will offer said property in two parcels:

First.—A lot located in Paris, Kentucky, on Main street, fronting thereon 66 2-3 feet, more or less, and extending back the same width to High street, a distance of 124 feet and having thereon a church building.

Second.—I will then offer a lot fronting on High street 66 2-3 feet more or less and extending back the same width towards Main street to the first named lot, a distance of 90 feet more or less, and having thereon a small dwelling.

I will then offer said property as a whole and will accept bid or bids aggregating the most money.

Said sale will be made upon credits of six and twelve months for equal parts of purchase money for which the purchasers shall execute bonds payable to the trustees, J. D. Butler, W. O. Hinton and J. W. Ferguson, with good sureties to be approved by said trustees of even date with said sale and bearing interest from date until paid at the rate of six per cent per annum and having the force and effect of judgments.

Said sale is made for the purpose of re-investment in the new church property located on High street, in Paris, Kentucky.

EMMETT M. DICKSON,
Master Commissioner.

DOG LOST.

Lost, in Paris, Ky., on Christmas Eve, a white Setter Dog, black ears, black spot on left side, also black running to hooks; answers to name of "Doc." Has one shot in right side of nose, also one shot under left ear near top. Liberal reward for any information leading to his recovery.

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You will have no occasion to
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The Bourbon News.

SWIFT CHAMP, Publisher.

PARIS, - - - KENTUCKY.

YE HAPPY FARMERS' LIFE.

Of all the **Lives** I wot of
Ye farmer's is most blest.
He tills ye **Soll** with sturdy Toil
And wastes no **Tyme** in Rest.
He rises in the Morning
When half-past Two has struck,
At Tenne he **hittes** ye Bedde again,
If yet he has good Luck.

He journeys to ye Stable
And milks two dozen kine.
At half-past Four he **hangers** sore,
And for ye Food does **Pine**.
Of fried Pork Chops and Coffee
He gladly does partake.
And to complete ye **Meal** does eat
Ye luscious Buckwheat cake.

He rises from ye Table
And Follows forth ye Plow.
But leaves his Place full soon to chase
Back home ye straying Cowe.
Returning to ye Meadow
He labors hard till noon,
And then does munch a Bite of
Lunch,
Which he dispatches soon.

All day he **Gayly** labors
In the Field and Stable-Yard,
Nor weary grows as on he goes,
Nor finds his Work is hard.
He beds down all ye Cattle,
When roosts ye tired Lark,
A sickly **Old** he takes with him
To light him after dark.

From one Year to another
He Harvest sows and reaps.
He lives and thinks and works and
drinks,
And also eats and sleeps.
What work he has not Tyme for
Is managed by his Wyfe.
All must concede 'tis good to lead
Ye happye Farmer's life.
—Portland Oregonian.

MYSTERIOUS MISS DACRES

By Mrs. Schuyler Crowninshield.

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CHAPTER IV.—CONTINUED.

"Well, yes, somewhat," confessed Mr. Beldon, "but really they gave me no such idea of her. I must say—no such awful idea of her—as that she gave me herself when she came in here last night."

"You have been dreaming," I declared—"dreaming! Lock your door, Mr. Beldon, and don't imagine—"

Here Glorianna unceremoniously poked her head in at the door.

"The's another newspaper feller come an' he says he wants to get took in."

Mr. Beldon sprang to the door. "She'll come in a minute, Glory, in a minute." He pushed her out, drew me in, and this time he did lock his door most hurriedly.

"I told you," he said, speaking very fast, "that old Haight was putting them on to the case. Now promise me that you won't take him in. They have withdrawn the police from the Hall, I hear, and now the newspaper harpies are going to have their innings. Now promise me, Mrs. Brathwaite, do promise me, if you must take in a reporter, take some one not on our paper."

"I shan't take him," said I. "Don't you be alarmed. Nothing would tempt me to help annoy the ladies at the Hall." I then went out and I heard him lock the door after me. He was evidently more afraid of his own editor than of all the ghosts in Christendom. I went swiftly out to the porch, and there I found a young fellow, not yet out of his teens. He had newspapers in all his pockets, and there was such an eruption of pencils everywhere that he might almost have answered to the sobriquet of "The Human Porcupine."

He bowed politely.

"Have you a room for rent?" he said.

"No," said I.

"Why, I was told in the village that I might be able to get in here. I came from the city this morning to write up a sensation, and I want to remain for two or three days."

"Well, I have no room for you," I said. "What is your paper?"

"The Morning Scythe," said he. At this I smiled a little, with relief at finding it not to be the Star Union, but I had no idea of harboring anyone who wanted to write up my own dear people at the Hall, and said only, "Well, I have no room unoccupied; besides, I never let my room for less than a week."

"Oh, the editor wouldn't mind paying a week's rent at all, I'm sure. He is very keen after this article."

"Well," said I, "I wouldn't let you have a room if I was as poverty-stricken as Job's turkey, and you offered me a hundred dollars a week. Here, Bill," I said, "see this stranger off the premises."

My old dog got up and came over to where the young man stood and began pushing against him with his great body.

"Does he bite?" asked he.

"Not unless too hard pushed," I said. "Don't push him too hard."

"I won't," said he. "That's what he's doing to me. I'll just go along and up to the Hall."

"Glorianna," I called.

"Yes'm," said Glorianna.

"Send Baldwin here."

"Oh, I'm going, ma'am," said the young stranger.

"Yes," said I, "you are."

"I'm going right on up to the Hall."

"No," said I, "you're not."

Here Baldy Towner appeared.

"Baldwin," said I, "this young man, hardly more than a lad, wants to go up and annoy the ladies. You

and Bill see that he doesn't," and I sat down as Baldy Towner came round the house.

The young man walked down the steps quickly and out to the gate.

"You can't mount that there bike until ye've walked down the road a bit," said Baldy Towner; "in fact, I don't know as ye'd better mount at all." Whereupon he took an awl from his pocket and gave the tire a jab; there was a great rush of air, and the punctured rubber collapsed.

"How dare you!" said the lad.

"That is an indictable offense. I'll have you up in court. I'll—"

"You kin do anything but go to the Hall; thet ye can't."

Bill stood where Baldy ordered him to stand, in the middle of the road leading up to the Hall, ready to spring if Baldy gave the word, and so the young man started to walk back to the village, pushing his useless bicycle in front of him along the way that he had come. I saw that he was passed by another man, who was driving in one of the regular buggy-hacks that take visitors out to the country places round Galtersville. The buggy stopped right in front of our door.

"Is that another of those reporters, Charlie?" I called to the man. He was a driver for our one livery stable. We had been to the village school together in our childhood.

"I dono'm," said Charlie. "He said he wanted a nice place to board, and I thought I'd bring him out to your house."

"I never saw anything like the number of people wanting board just now," said I. "I might make money if I owned a hotel. No, I haven't any place for you," for I saw that his pockets, too, were fairly bulging out with papers and pads and pencils.

By this time the man was close to the steps.

"What paper are you from?" said I.

"How did you know? Oh, my materials, I suppose. Well, then, the Star Union."

"I wouldn't take a man from the Star Union for his weight in gold," said I.

"What's the matter with the Star Union?" he asked. "Been saying anything about you, or anyone connected—"

"No," said I. "I never get into the papers. There is no reason why I should, but I don't want to take newspaper reporters. I have an invalid aunt—"

"I should like to interview her—"

"He took a pad from his pocket."

"We have a ghost in the house, and—"

"I'll write it up—"

He drew a pencil from another pocket.

"I have a strange young woman, a trained nurse, in my lower front, and—"

"She might give me an article on the system of training nurses—"

"—And a news—but no! I won't take you."

"What were you going to say about a newspaper man?"

"I was going to say that a newspaper never knows enough to mind its own business, and I, for one, will have nothing to do with them."

"Then I'll go on to the Hall," said the stranger, turning towards the buggy.

"Charley Blount," I called, "if you let that man go to the Hall, you and I are friends no longer. You know what the ladies wish. Do it, and don't let strangers come meddling in Galtersville."

Charlie Blount looked uncertainly at me. Then he turned to the stranger.

"I don't know as I can take you," said he. "Ef the ladies don't want it, nuff said."

"Then I'll walk."

"Not ef Bill knows it," said Baldy Towner. "Here, Bill."

"Well, I'm blessed! Deprive a man of his liberty on the high-road in this free country? I'll see what the law says to that," and the stranger got slowly into the carriage to drive back to the village with Charlie Blount.

He had not more than taken his seat in the buggy before Miss Dacres dashed down the hill from the direction of the Hall, rode up to the side of the fence, jumped lightly off in that way that experts have, and leaned her wheel against the elm-tree. She stood looking inquiringly at the two men.

"What do they want?" she said.

"One's a newspaper man," I replied. "He wants to interview the ladies up at the Hall, but as far as I can, I shall prevent it."

"Perhaps I'll let you interview me some day," said Miss Dacres, smiling at the stranger.

"You're not what I'm after," said the man as they drove off.

"Well," said Miss Dacres, "I'm glad I'm not what he's after," and came in at the gate.

"Please do not walk on the grass," I called. "Just since you have been here it's getting dreadfully worn."

"Am I the only one?" asked Miss Dacres.

"Yes," said I, "you are, or no—"

and then I recalled the fact that Mr. Beldon always walked on the grass also. "I must speak to him about it," said I.

"To whom?" asked Miss Dacres.

"Have you a room for rent?"

The question was getting monotonous. I turned quickly at these words. This latest applicant for a room at my house seemed to have risen out of the ground. He began to cough as soon as he had spoken, and coughed violently for a minute or so. He was a weak old man, a clergyman, apparently. When he had finished his paroxysm he came nearer. "I have had a bad attack of gripe," said he. "I am from the west. I was traveling to Wash-

ington to see about a pension to which I am entitled, for, you must know, I served in the late war."

"Come right in," said I, "and rest yourself."

He came slowly into the yard and walked haltingly up the gravel path. That pleased me, his not walking on the grass, and I made up my mind that if he was willing to take the little room over Mr. Beldon's and back of Aunt Jane Mary's, I would take him in. At this rate it would not be long before I should be able to repay Miss Dacres what I owed her and send her off. But stay! Did I wish to send her off? Her blue eyes—her light curly hair—her name—Amaranthe!

We walked to the steps together, the old gentleman and I. I really wanted to assist him, but was afraid of hurting his feelings, so I went



"HAVE YOU A ROOM FOR RENT?"

slowly up to the piazza and sat down. He had halted half way to cough again, and as he seized upon the rail I thought that he would strangle.

Finally he recovered, wiped his eyes, and came to where I sat. I arose hastily and drew a chair forward, into which he sank with a grateful nod. He wore a frock coat of shabby black and a turned-down white collar, what we used to call a Byron collar. He had bushy eyebrows, and thin side whiskers, and long, thin, iron-gray hair.

"How queer for you to find this quiet little place," said I.

"I came to see your college. You have a very fine one," he replied. "The president is an old friend of mine. In fact, we were college chums, and shouldered muskets in the old Ninety-second New York side by side. I have been at his house to-day, and when he saw how worn out I was with this cough, he advised me to rest awhile before going to Washington. He recommended me to you." He then fumbled in his pocket and brought out a letter, which he handed me. I knew the writing well. I opened it. It ran:

"Dear Mrs. Brathwaite: You will do all good people a favor if you will take in my old friend, Dr. Wynne, for a little stay. He ought not to travel at present, and I think your neighborhood is exactly the one for him just now. I shall come out to see him soon; meantime do what you can for him, and thus place me only deeper in your debt as a friend, and

"Believe me, yours faithfully,
"As ever,
"Marmaduke Smith."

Now Marmaduke Smith and I had studied our geography in the same class at the village school, Marmaduke at the head, Charlie Blount at the foot, and I half way between, and there had been a time—well, I won't go into that, but I felt if Marmaduke wanted anything, and I could procure it for him, I was bound to do so.

"Do you think you can go upstairs?" I asked. "My other rooms are all taken."

"Front or back?" said he in his quavering voice.

"Well, I'm sorry to say that my aunt has the upper front, and I have the room across the hall from hers. There is only a small room left, back of my aunt's."

"Have you other boarders in the house?"

"Yes, a lady and a gentleman. They are strangers to each other. The lady is in the front, and the gentleman at the back. I could give you a small room over his—the gentleman's, I mean."

"That will do capitally," said Dr. Wynne.

"Or I could change into the little back room myself," said I, "and give you mine; it wouldn't be much trouble. The front is pleasanter, and—"

"Not for the world," cried out the old gentleman, "not for the—"

and then he began to cough again until the tears rained down his cheeks.

"I will take the back room with the greatest pleasure," said he when he could speak. "When can I come?"

"At once," said I. "Have you a trunk?"

"Oh, yes, we arranged that. If I did not return by four o'clock, Dr. Smith was to send it out. You know he boards in the village, but he thought the dust of Main street would irritate my lungs. It seems all very sweet and peaceful out here."

I settled Dr. Wynne in the little room over Mr. Beldon's, and came down to find my lower-back in the hall.

"You've taken a new boarder," said he, "after all your promises."

"He is not a newspaper man. I promised not to take newspaper men. You really must know that I cannot be bound to take no one while you are here. In that case, you had better engage the entire house."

He muttered something which sounded like "that would have been better," and then spoke aloud. "How

is it possible for me, a poor reporter, to take a whole house like this? Of course I can't. What is this new man like?"

"He is an old clergyman," said I. "He is highly recommended by my old friend, President Marmaduke Smith, of the Galtersville College. He is from way out west somewhere, I don't know where. But how did you know that I had taken anyone?"

"How do I know? I'm sure I can't tell you. It's in the air, I suppose, as you said this morning. You are sure he is just a clergyman?"

"One look at the poor old man is enough," said I. "Why, what did you think he was?"

"Well, I—I—thought it might be old Haight himself perhaps, come out here to track out the mystery up at the Hall. But, of course, he would make no secret of who he is, and he wouldn't tell a lie, not to get the whole scoop. What peculiar superstition does your friend affect?"

"If you mean what church he belongs to," I said stiffly, for I did not at all like the lightness of his tone in speaking of religious matters, "I think he is a Baptist. He said something about bathing, called it immersion, this morning. Poor old gentleman! I'm afraid he's not long for this life."

"Well," said my lower-back, shrugging his shoulders. "I suppose I'll have to put up with him, but I want to say just this, if he makes a noise overhead, or roams round at night like your aunt, you can count me out."

"I'm very sorry," said I, "but my poor aunt cannot walk one step. How you do harry me. You are so fanciful. I really have no one to help me, and nowhere to turn. I must make all the income I can at present, and I don't want you to ask me out."

"Very well, enough said," and Mr. Beldon went into his room and closed the door. This time he locked it, as I had advised, and I saw nothing more of him that day.

Meanwhile, whenever I could get an opportunity, I stole one of Miss Dacres' letters, and as I did so I replaced it with the one that I had just copied. I read them with deep interest, and spent a great deal of time over them in my own room, so much so that Aunt Jane Mary complained that she was left entirely to Glorianna.

One day when Miss Dacres had gone off on one of her lengthy rides, and I had been up to call on the ladies, I returned to find her door open and Glorianna standing within the opening. She was beckoning silently with a quick, sharp crook of the finger.

"Glorianna," said I, "Miss Dacres allows no one in her room but me."

"That's why I come," said Glorianna. "You be'n fooled long enough."

"What do you mean?" I asked.

Glorianna closed the door gently and then crossed the floor. She flung a towel over the keyhole of the communicating door, and led the way to the door of the cellar. This I saw that she had already unbolted; she began to descend the stairs.

"Come back, Glorianna," said I, "come back!" in as loud a whisper as I dared give voice to. "You know I told her that no one should enter her room but myself, and going into the cellar was a very particular part of the promise. Come up, do you hear? Come up!"

The Cowboy's Virgil.

George Handy is in town—tenderfoot from Colorado. Originally he was a tenderfoot in Colorado from New York. When acting as telegraph operator at the railroad station in Guthrie he was approached one day by a citizen of quiet mien who asked when the next train left. In an airy way he replied, "Oh, when it can." The stranger reached back and produced a "gun," which, according to Handy, was two feet long and as big around as a cannon. "When do that train leave?" he repeated. Handy, yielding the floor, amiably answered that question and a dozen others which were flung at him. Seeing a book lying on the desk, he said: "What book are that you're reading?" "That's my Virgil, and I'm translating a few lines when I have time." "Virgil? God bless him! Haven't seen him in 20 years. How is the old boy? Just the same as ever?" He opened the volume, sat down on a bench and began to read it off in perfect English, to the amazement of Handy, a Yale boy. "How did you learn it?" the operator asked. "Oh, I was first honor man at Harvard and always loved Virgil. Where is that train?"—N. Y. Press

"Baptized a Leetle."

"Very amusing are the struggles our German friends have with the English vocabulary," remarked a gentleman I met on the smoker's platform.

"We had a religious revival in our neighborhood, and Annie, our German housemaid, decided to become a church member. It was a sect of a liberal creed, some of whose members favored baptism by immersion, some by sprinkling."

"We did not know which Annie preferred, and although the question was a nice one with my wife she did not think best to urge or advise in the matter. The ceremony was performed one evening, and the morning after Annie presented herself with smiling face."

"Well, Annie," said my wife, "you were baptised, were you?"

"Ya—yes," said Annie, "a leetle."

"We subsequently learned that her 'leetle' baptism was a sprinkling."

"We never learned why she chose the 'leetle' instead of the 'big'."—Detroit Free Press.



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He'd Obey Orders.

This account of a conversation between an officer and a private comes from the Philippines. An officer of the day, meeting a sentinel on outpost, paused to ask him if he knew his orders.

"Yes, sir," said the sentinel. "Officer—Suppose you were rushed by 100 bolomen, what would you do?"

"Form a line, sir," replied the sentinel.

"What! One man form a line?" "Yes, sir; I'd form a bee-line for camp!"—N. Y. News.

A Good Send-Off.

The following testimonial was recently given to an illiterate servant girl:

"This is to certify that the bearer has been in my service for one year, less 11 months. During that time I found her to be diligent, at the front door; temperate, at her work; attentive, to herself; prompt, at excuses; amiable, towards young tradesmen; faithful, to the policeman; and honest, when everything was under lock and key."—Tit-Bits.

Not Needed.

The "aggregation" was about ready to start on its tour of one-night stands when a young man appeared and asked for an engagement.

"What's your line?" inquired the manager.

"I do a magic disappearance act," replied the applicant.

"Not needed," returned the manager brusquely. "It's my custom to do that act myself on salary day."—Chicago Post.

A Reason.

Prof. Blank was instructing a class of schoolboys about the circulation of the blood.

"Can you tell me," said he, "why it is that if I were to stand on my head there would be a rush of blood to my head, and that there is no rush of blood to my feet when I stand upon them?"

For a moment there was silence, and then a boy answered "It's because your feet are not empty, sir."—N. Y. Times.

The Neatness of Clara.

Clara, playing with the sweeper, overran her brother Ned. When they told her grandma of it, "Clara's neat," was all she said. —Princeton Tiger.

SHE WAS SO GLAD.



She (to visitor, who has been ill)—I hope you have decided to go away? Visitor—Yes, I'm going to-morrow. She—I'm so glad!—Punch.

Advice for Myrtilla.

The wise Mohammedan, who comes to call, removes his footgear in the outer hall. I wish Myrtilla were a True Believer! If, when she comes, she would remove her skirt, 'Twould spare us many microbes and much dirt. And make us still more happy to receive her! —The Crank.

He Got Them.

Little Jack—When me's a little older, will 'oo take me out to buy sweeties, dad?"

Father (thinking it an easy promise to make)—Yes, dear, certainly I will. Little Jack (after a minute's interval)—Daddy, me's a little older now. —Ally Sloper.

Easily Found.

"Why does Billmer always come out of the house with such an ugly expression?"

"I suppose he's looking for trouble."

"Well, I don't see why he has to go away from home to find it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Liberty with a String.

Mrs. R.—And you really allow your husband to carry a latchkey?

Mrs. B.—Oh, yes; I believe in being reasonable in such things. Besides, John knows very well that I will take the key away from him if he ever stays out later than ten o'clock. —Chicago American.

The Difference.

"I tell you," asserted the strong-minded woman, "women can do men's work as well as men can do it."

"That may be so," said the philosophical man, "and it only proves man's mental superiority. He never tries to do woman's work as well as woman can."—Brooklyn Life.

An Explanation.

Arthur—How did you come to marry a girl you didn't particularly care for?

Jack—I attribute it to the fact that she wanted me worse than I didn't want her. —Smart Set.

There's Nothing Like System.

Teacher—In what year was the battle of Waterloo fought?

Pupil—I don't know.

Teacher—It's simple enough if you only would learn how to cultivate artificial memory. Remember the 12 Apostles. Add half that number to them. That's 18. Multiply that by 100. That's 1,800. Take the 12 Apostles again. Add a quarter of their number to them. That's 15. Add what you've got. That's 1815. That's the date. Quite simple, you see, to remember dates if you will only adopt my system. —Tit-Bits.

A Slight Difficulty.

The dictionary to my sight discloses words and words again. If I could but arrange them right I'd be a genius with the pen. —Washington Star.

HE TOOK CHANCES.



Constable—Where did you get that turkey?

Coon—I just done took chances down in the village and won him. —Milwaukee Sentinel.

His Experience.

When speaks the People's Voice in thunder tones. And lightning flashes from a sky o'ercast. The politician smiles; for, in his bones, He knows that thunder showers do not last. —Brooklyn Life.

Unreasonable Man.

"But, my dear," protested Mr. Young when Mrs. Young showed him her purchases for the day, "why have you bought four dozen clothes pins when all the washing is done at the laundry?"

"Oh, Harry, how can you be so horrid?" began Mrs. Young, tearfully. "Why, they were bargains."—N. Y. News.

Street Car Speed.

"Ever notice," asked the street car philosopher, "how the speed of street cars is regulated by our frame of mind?"

"In what way?" "Notice how slow a street car is when you are in a hurry to catch a train—and how fast it goes when you run to catch it."—Baltimore Herald.

Told of Bright Pet Wolf.

There is in the Berlin Zoological gardens a wolf that has been trained to follow its keeper about like a dog. The keeper who once had it in charge returned to the zoo after a three years' absence the other day and was at once recognized by his old pet.

His Objection.

Mother—Eric, do you like your arithmetic?

Eric—No'm. I think the influence of that book is unwholesome and depressing.

Mother—Why? Eric—Because it is full of horrible examples. —N. Y. Herald.

Value Received.

Success' price is sometimes high. They say, but that's all jargon; Whoever gets success, at all Is sure to get a bargain. —Puck.

THOSE DANGEROUS ANALOGIES.



Mother—You must go to bed, Lemuel. The little chickens go to bed at sundown.

Lemuel—Yes, but the old hen goes with them. —Chicago Daily News.

The Hero of the Hour.

You want to lionize him and He gladly lets you. He smiles and shakes you by the hand And then forgets you. —Washington Star.

Phenomenal.

"He is the only true musical phenomenon I ever saw or heard."

"Why do you say that?" "Because he acknowledges that he tours the country for cash first and art second, and this isn't his farewell appearance!"—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

A LITTLE LITERARY LITTER.

Mrs. Mary A. Kidders, 82 years old, and one of the oldest authors in New England, continues to write poetry.

Macaulay, from the inception of the plan to the time when his work was cut short, spent eight or nine years on his "History of England."

The sultan of Turkey has issued an edict forbidding the publication of books in his realm. The reason is said to be that he is going to publish a book himself and wants a clear field for it.

The one poem most often translated into every language of the civilized and uncivilized world was written by a woman—"The Ode to Aphrodite," by Sappho. Shakespeare's works have borne the test of but three centuries; Sappho's have stood through 25 centuries.

Frank Hamilton Spearman, who has written some of the most thrilling railroad stories that have ever appeared in print, is a quiet banker and has never been a railroad man. While running a bank in a western town he became intensely interested in railroad life and learned to know intimately all the men employed on the railroad which had operating headquarters in the town.

A Viennese journalist compares the late Polish painter, Siemiradzki, with his countryman, Sienkiewicz, whose "Quo Vadis" owed its great success to traits similar to those which made Siemiradzki's "Living Torches of Nero" the sensation of its day. Siemiradzki lived many years in Rome and spent much time also at Pompeii. He was as diligent a student of archaeological details as Alma Tadem.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Cairo has the only medical school in Egypt.

After Venice, Berlin has more bridges than any other town in Europe.

Of Paris' population of 2,650,000, 1,200,000 are either provincials or foreigners.

At a recent wedding in Vienna the bride was a great-grandmother 81 years old.

Vladivostok, in Siberia, possesses the only crematorium in the whole Russian empire.

Of 64 aliens naturalized during one month recently as British subjects, 38 were from Russia, and ten from Germany.

Timber is being exported from Bosnia to South Africa to be used in rebuilding farms destroyed during the war.

The lowest mortality in Egypt is in the desert districts, the highest in the largest towns. The average native rate for the whole country is 38.9 per 1,000.

It is officially announced at Antwerp, Belgium, that the new coal fields discovered recently contain more than 500,000,000 tons of coal of good quality.

THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER.

The railway bridge which connects Venice with the mainland is 12,000 feet long, and has 222 arches.

The highest railway in the United States is the Colorado Midland, which crosses a pass 11,530 feet high.

Hereafter there will be a train de luxe once a week on the line from Cape Town to Bulawayo—a trip of 74 hours.

When the census was taken in New South Wales among the ages returned were five of 100 years, six of 101, three of 104, one of 107 and another of 113 years.

MARKET REPORT.

Cincinnati, Jan. 3.		
CATTLE—Common	3 50	@ 4 15
Butcher steers	4 85	@ 5 00
CALVES—Extra		@ 9 00
HOGS—Ch. packers	6 50	@ 6 55
Mixed packers	6 25	@ 6 45
SHEEP—Extra	3 30	@ 4 10
LAMBS—Extra	5 60	@ 5 65
FLOUR—Spring pat.	3 85	@ 4 10
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@ 77 1/2
No. 3 red		@ 74 1/2
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@ 45
OATS—No. 2 mixed.		@ 33 1/2
RYE—No. 2	55	@ 56
HAY—Ch. timothy		@ 15 00
PORK—Clear cut	18 00	@ 19 05
LARD—Steam		@ 10 75
BUTTER—Ch. dairy.		@ 18
Choice creamery		@ 31
APPLES—Fancy	2 50	@ 3 50
POTATOES—Per bbl		@ 1 75
TOBACCO—New	3 25	@ 10 75
Old	7 50	@ 16 25

Chicago.		
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	74	@ 76
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	74 1/2	@ 75 1/2
CORN—No. 2 mixed.	44 1/2	@ 45
OATS—No. 2 mixed.		@ 32
PORK—Mess		@ 18 00
LARD—Steam	9 90	@ 10 00

New York.		
FLOUR—Win. str's.	3 45	@ 3 55
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@ 79
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@ 58
OATS—No. 2 mixed.		@ 38 1/2
RYE—Western		@ 59 1/2
PORK—Mess	18 00	@ 18 50
LARD—Steam		@ 10 50

Baltimore.		
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	77 1/2	@ 77 1/2
Southern—Sample.	67 1/2	@ 68
CORN—No. 2 mixed.	51 1/2	@ 51 1/2
OATS—No. 2 mixed.		@ 42
CATTLE—Butchers	4 25	@ 5 25
HOGS—Western	6 75	@ 6 80

Louisville.		
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@ 77
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@ 61
OATS—No. 2 mixed.		@ 35 1/2
PORK—Mess		@ 16 50
LARD—Steam		@ 10 25

Indianapolis.		
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@ 74
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@ 44 1/2
OATS—No. 2 mixed.	34	@ 34 1/2

THE WOEFUL WHEEL.

George Thought He Was Doing His Duty, But It Was Labor Lost.

A young man in a cricket shirt and straw hat was wheeling a baby carriage backward and forward along the pavement in front of a small house in Westgate-on-Sea.

The hot afternoon sun poured pitilessly down upon him, and he was angry as any man in the neighborhood, relates the Manchester Guardian.

"My dear," came a voice from the upper window of the house.

"Let me alone, can't you?" he shrieked back, and went on wheeling and mopping his face.

An hour later the same voice came from the window in earnest, pleading tones:

"George, dear!"

"Well, what on earth do you want?" he shouted. "Have the water pipes burst?"

"No, George, dear," wailed the voice, "the water pipes are all right, but you've been wheeling Amy's doll all the afternoon. Hadn't you better let baby have a turn now?"

Indigestion, congested liver, impure blood, constipation, these are what afflict thousands of people who do not know what is the matter with them. They drag along a miserable existence, they apply to the local doctors occasionally, and sometimes obtain a little temporary relief, but the old, tired, worn-out, all-gone, distressed feeling always comes back again worse than ever, until in time they become tired of living, wonder why they were ever born, and why they are alive unless to endure constant suffering. To such sufferers there is a haven of refuge in Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Drops, which is a wonderful medicine. One trial will convince the most sceptical that any or all of these difficulties may be removed, and a perfect cure effected, by taking Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Drops. Get a bottle at once, before it is too late.

It Was the Card.

The weary housekeeper paused beside the basket of eggs that bore the card labelled: "Fresh this morning—38 cents."

"Give me a dozen of these eggs," she said. "I suppose you guarantee their freshness?"

"Well, no," said the hesitating storekeeper, "we wouldn't like to do that."

"But the card says: 'Fresh this morning.'"

"Yes'm," the storekeeper reluctantly admitted. "But you see it's the card that's wrong—not the eggs."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

California, the State of Big Things.

California produces 22 per cent. of the country's barley, 40 per cent. of the country's gold, 70 per cent. of the country's beet sugar, 99 per cent. of the country's raisins, and from 90 per cent. to 99 per cent. of a great many other important commodities. California is one of the largest producers of beans in the world and the only producer of Lima beans for commercial purposes in the United States. California yields more money than all the rest of the Union. California supplies nearly all the vegetable and flower seeds to the markets of the world. California sends outside her borders 20,000,000 bushels of wheat every year. San Francisco, the metropolis of California, is now the sixth city in financial importance in the United States.

Her Father—"So, young man, you want to fill my shoes?" Her Suitor—"I'll try, sir." Her Father—"Well, if you did, your first act would be to kick yourself."—N. Y. Sun.

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The man who endeavors to travel to fame or fortune via the arduous of revelry is likely to hit the ground hard.—Judge.

Like Oil Upon Troubled Waters is Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar upon a cold. Pike's Footlinch Drops cure in one minute.

Lots of men tire themselves to death looking for an easy job.—Chicago Daily News.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. Thos. Robbins, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Haughtiness lives under the same roof with solitude.—Plato.

PROMINENT PHYSICIANS USE AND ENDORSE PE-RU-NA.



C. B. Chamberlin, M. D., writes from 14th and P Sts., Washington, D. C.:

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Geo. C. Havener, M. D., of Anacostia, D. C., writes:

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If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

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There is nothing that costs less than civility.—Cervantes.

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A VERY PROSPEROUS YEAR. Latest Fashion Notes.

[From the Paris Gazette.]

The present year, which, when dating your letters, be it remembered is 1903, will be the busiest ever witnessed in Bourbon County. There will be work for all, and it is certainly to be hoped that all will go to work. In the first place, there is a magnificent Court House to be erected that will furnish labor for the skilled and unskilled, for those who know how to erect buildings and for the one who can drive a team or dig rocks out of the ground or unload from cars upon a patient side-track.

There is the Home Telephone Company busily engaged in extending its lines into every nook and corner of the county, and that pays fair wages for honest work and will put into circulation thousands of dollars right here among the home people.

There is Main street to be paved from Second to Tenth, with asphalt or vitrified brick, or some other substance just as smooth and as enduring. It will be done by those who reside within the city limits, and as it is to be done quickly, a large force will be required.

There is the Interurban railroad, which promises to have cars running between Paris and Lexington by the 15th of May, with a certain extension to Millersburg and a probable extension to North Middletown. From Millersburg it will extend North across Nicholas into Robertson and Bracken, and then to the Ohio river at Augusta, opening up a vast stretch of country that has, up to this time, never been penetrated by a railroad, but which is thickly settled by a sober, industrious class. Upon the Interurban artisans can find work to do, and those accustomed to working with subtle electricity and who know how to stretch the wires along which it is to be conducted will find ample reward for their work.

Permits have already been granted by the City Council for the erection of buildings, the aggregate cost of which will amount to over \$100,000. Pleasant and High streets are to be put in perfect repair, and by a compromise with the water company extensive improvements will be made upon that plant that will call for a number of workmen.

Several years ago a company was organized for the purpose of furnishing electric lights to the farm houses and outlying towns in Bourbon County. On account of the Electric Light Company of Paris being hampered, nothing was done at that time, but several meetings have been held looking towards taking up the movement again, and it is more than probable that this will be pushed and that Millersburg and North Middletown will have electricity, while arc lights will be suspended along many of the turnpikes of the county, and farmers will have their premises lighted by incandescent lamps.

The staunch old L. & N. Railroad, that for years has been paying out something like \$20,000 a month to citizens of Paris, will continue the great work of improving the company's property at this point, and the construction trains that will ply up and down the different branches will have to be manned.

The Fiscal Court will keep pace with the forward movement and see that the turnpikes are put in better shape than they have ever been. Instead of filling them with rock in pleasant weather, when people want to enjoy their buggies and carriages, rock will be placed upon them in the fall and winter when the heavy hauling occurs. Then, too, new bridges will be built where badly needed, and it is possible that the covered monstrosity at the foot of Main street, over Stoner, will be taken down and a modern bridge of proper width built in its place.

Again, there will be work for all. There is work for all, and an able-bodied man that comes begging at your door, asking for old clothing and something to eat, should be questioned very closely and made to explain why it is that he is idle when laborers are in such demand.

For years and years Central Kentucky has been called "The England of America." Her railroads, her turnpikes, her numerous water-courses, her fields of waving grain, her woodland pastures, her stalwart men and lovely women, have challenged the admiration of the world. "A great section that will be some day," has been said more times than one could count it, "when her resources are developed and she catches the spirit of improvement." The spirit has been "caught," and old things are to be done away with. It will look like a new heaven and a new earth from this time on, with everything modern and with a busy people in easy touch with all of the marts of commerce.

The mossback, of course, will continue to dwell here and to crouch and hold back, but unless he moves to a less favored section he will soon see signs that his father never even dreamed of.

So, fronting the future, we say: "Onward to other heights in other lives—God willing."

FOR CALLING OR STREET WEAR.

A costume of mixed suiting is here shown, with a blouse waist displaying a blouse of white pean de sole trimmed in black braid. The strapped collar is of novelty braid over white, and piped with white. It has pockets and cuffs to match, and the strappings for the skirt are disposed between the box plaits. The waist has a postilion back.



Some of the new skirts are arranged in graduated box plaits all around, the plaits being very narrow and flat at the top, widening out as they descend, and when released giving the fashionable fullness at the feet. Soft, pliable materials are especially appropriate for this style of skirt, and many of the models are threaded horizontally with bands of inserting, and band passing beneath the plaits. Three or four rows of inserting arranged at regular intervals and sometimes forming a slight dip in front are used. The skirts are hung over five-gored foundations and the plaits are either secured on the under side or else they are stitched with Corticelli silk down to flounce depth and then left to flare gracefully. They are usually made with inverted plaits in back.

The price of wheat at Chicago has fallen two cents during the past week. Difficulty in moving the corn crop holds up the price of corn. The outlook for the hog market is good if farmers do not unload their stock too suddenly. Cattle prices continue to be very poor.

The weather, did you say? Well, we've had most any old kind in the past few weeks, good, bad and indifferent.

WIRELESS telegraphy is all right but if some man will only invent a fuelless heater we will rise up and call him blessed.

The trusts owe the people decent treatment, but no noticeable attempt is being made by the administration to see that the people get it.

The buildings in New York are being built so high that first thing you know there will be a demand for berths and a cafe in the elevators.

A MISSOURI school teacher comes to the front and says that the newspaper is the best school book that can be found. That certainly is a compliment.

If Kentucky couldn't bring back a fugitive real Governor from Indiana, it ought to be partially contented with capturing a bogus one in Florida.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The declining years of Clara Morris are filled with illness and financial distress. When one thinks of the once brilliant actress and her apparent prosperity, wonder and pity are aroused.

The Winchester Sun, says: A. S. Thompson who represented Bourbon county in the last Legislature, has announced for re-election. Mr. Thompson made one of the best men in the lower House, and if his record is taken into account by the Democrats of Bourbon county he will not likely have any opposition for the Democratic nomination.

A REPENTANT sinner, signing himself, "A Vermont Republican," has sent to the Washington postoffice the sum of thirty cents which he asked to be credited to the conscience fund. It's about the size of a Republican conscience, at that.—Georgetown News.

AND NOW it is said that orange juice is just as effective in the eradication of typhoid germs as lemon juice. But perhaps, after all, the whole business is an effort to boom the sale of the two fruits.

CIGARETTE smokers should read the following and ponder over it: Investigation has shown that 60 per cent. of cigarette smoking boys, had poor memories, 40 per cent. were untruthful, 60 per cent. had bad memories and 90 per cent. were slow thinkers, while the average efficiency of boys not smoking was 95 per cent.

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Here and There.

—Pen Hollar, of Nicholas county, has some sorghum molasses made in 1856 by Rev. Joe Hollar.

—There are 525 labor Unions in Chicago, with an estimated membership of more than 300,000.

—Millionaire Wm. E. Elkin, of Philadelphia, has given a \$1,000,000 Home for the orphans of Masons.

—The Colored State Teacher's Association, after electing officers, adjourned at Lexington to hold its next meeting at Louisville.

—A new Board of Health in Carter county has issued an order that all citizens of Grayson must be vaccinated or pay a fine of \$10 a day.

—The Rev. N. B. Taylor, of Armstrong, Mo., married five couples by one ceremony. They formed a circle around the parson and clasped hands.

—Miss Mary Hartwell Catherwood died of cancer in Chicago. She was one of the foremost American writers of fiction and a native of the Middle West.

—Mayor Low has signed the tunnel franchise for the New York and New Jersey Company, authorizing the commencement of work on the New York side at once.

—According to the Carlisle Mercury, over 100 people in Kentucky have been treated for tuberculosis by intravenous infusion since August 21st last and all except four are showing decided signs of improvement.

CARRIAGE HEATERS.—We have just received a new lot of Clarke's Carriage Heaters. They are the most convenient heater on the market. Absolutely safe. No odor. Come and see it. Suitable for carriage, buggy or any vehicle.
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